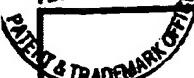


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To Commissioner For Patents

Please enter the following submission and withdraw the finality of the proceeding office action or withdraw any pending appeal and reopen prosecution before the Examiner.

Application Number	09/456,897
Filing Date	December 8, 1999
First Named Inventor	Keith Ahern
Group Art Unit	2176
Examiner Name	Yuan, Almari Romero
Attorney Docket Number	PHA 23,778

This is an RCE under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application (which is made prior to: payment of issue fee; abandonment; notice of appeal to the CAFC; or commencement of civil action under 35 U.S.C. 145 or 146.)

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

a. Previously submittedi. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on March 18, 2005

(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____iii. Other _____b. Enclosedi. Amendment/Replyii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)iv. Other _____ (may not be a brief)

2. Miscellaneous

a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (May not exceed 3 months; Fee required per 37 C.F.R. § 1.117(l))b. Other _____

3. Fees

a. The Commissioner For Patents is hereby authorized to charge all required fees except the issue fee or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 14-1270

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